

PROGRESSIVE REPUBLICANS WILL MEET

Las Vegas, Sept. 29.—The progressive Republicans league of New Mexico was organized here tonight at a well attended and enthusiastic meeting in City hall. The movement, which will undoubtedly spread rapidly all over New Mexico, is a protest against machine politics as displayed in the nomination of the republican state ticket. The objects of this league are the promotion of the following principles:

"We believe in the language of Abraham Lincoln, that this is a government of the people, by the people and for the people."

"We are absolutely opposed to the corrupting influence of the special interest in politics, boss rule and gang methods, and we favor none but clean men for official positions."

"We believe in the election of the United States senators by a direct vote of the people, through an amendment to the constitution of the United States; and we are in favor of direct primaries for the nomination of all elective offices making the nominees directly responding to the people, rather than to party bosses."

"Excepting the articles of the constitution of this state relating to the elective franchise and education, we are in favor of making the constitution more easily amended. We believe in the election of delegates to national conventions by a presidential preference act with opportunity to the voter to express his choice on his ballot for president and vice president."

"We favor an early amendment to the constitution of the state, providing a sensible and reasonable initiative and referendum, an easier method of removing unfaithful and dishonest public servants of the state, rather than by the slow process of impeachment and also an enlargement of the powers and more clearly defining the duties of the corporation commission of the state."

"We favor a corrupt practices act limiting the amount of money that can be expended on elections requiring publicity from candidates and political committees of moneys expended and for what purposes, thus eliminating as far as possible, thus eliminating as far as possible, the corrupt use of money in politics."

"We believe that all men are equal before the law, that no special privileges should be granted to any one, rich or poor not accorded to all men, but that each man should have an equal chance with every other man as of personal merit."

"We welcome all voters to this league from other political parties who have affiliated with, or wish to affiliate with progressive republicans from sincere, honest and worthy motives and for the carrying out of the principles of this league free from selfish interest."

REPUBLICANS FINISH WORK AT LAS VEGAS. COMPLETE TICKET BEING NAMED

FOR GOVERNOR—H. O. Bursum, of Socorro county.

FOR LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR—Malaquias Martinez, of Taos county.

FOR SECRETARY OF STATE—Secundino Romero, of San Miguel county.

FOR STATE AUDITOR—W. G. Sargent, of Rio Arriba county.

FOR STATE TREASURER—Silvestre Mirabal, of Valencia county.

FOR STATE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS—A. B. Stroup, of Bernalillo county.

FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL—Frank W. Clancy, of Bernalillo county. (By acclamation).

FOR COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC LANDS—Robert P. Ervien, of Union county.

FOR JUSTICES OF THE SUPREME COURT—Frank W. Parker, Clarence J. Roberts and Edward R. Wright.

CORPORATION COMMISSIONERS—George W. Armijo, Hugh Williams, N. S. Groves.

MEMBERS OF CONGRESS—George Curry, Elfege Baca.

STATE SENATOR—Counties of Torrance, Socorro, Otero and Lincoln, W. M. McCoy, of Mountainair.

STATE REPRESENTATIVE—Counties of Torrance, Santa Fe and Guadalupe—Tranquilino Labadie.

DISTRICT JUDGE—Counties of Dona Ana, Lincoln, Otero and Torrance, E. L. Medler.

DISTRICT ATTORNEY—Same counties, H. B. Hamilton.

The Republicans at their state convention in Las Vegas, after praising President Taft, Delegate Andrews and other leaders, and endorsing the policy of the administration, adopted the following:

"We believe in an efficient system of public education to the end that the youth of our state shall ever enjoy the best possible opportunities to educate and fit themselves for the proper and wise discharge of the duties of citizenship. We pledge the Republican party to the maintenance of the highest and most efficient standard of public schools."

"We favor an honest, economical and efficient administration of the affairs of state."

"Recognizing that free and untrammelled suffrage is one of the strongest pillars of our social and political fabric, we pledge the Republican candidates for the legislature to the enactment of appropriate legislation looking to the preservation of the purity of the ballot and to a free expression of the popular will so framed, however, that in its practical operation no citizen of this state shall ever be deprived of his right of suffrage. We pledge our candidates in the performance of the duties proposed and in their conduct on the subject of honesty and purity of elections to the prompt enactment of truly progressive legislation, including a corrupt practices act which shall provide every safeguard known to modern legislation for the secrecy of the ballot and the expression at the polls of the independent will of each individual voter without any hampering requirements as to the form of such expression which only tend to the

advantage of what is known as machine politics and of the men who make a business thereof; and such legislation as shall provide full and complete publicity of all political campaign expenses, both before and after election, with severe penalties for corruption and bribery of voters, for excessive expenditure of money for political purposes whether by or for candidates for public office."

"We pledge our party to the enactment of laws to provide for the separation and independence of the judiciary from political influence."

"We favor the enactment of compulsory compensation laws, coupled with a wise plan of industrial insurance so that employees engaged in hazardous occupations or their families may receive prompt compensation for injuries or death without the delays, injustice and expense of the present system."

"While the question of the manner in which Republicans shall vote upon the so-called blue ballot amendment to our constitution shall not be regarded as a test of party fealty, yet we regard the congressional requirement that we should vote thereon after our constitution has been ratified by a majority of over 18,000 as an unwarranted interference with the rights of self-government and a reflection on the intelligence of the people of our state, who should be allowed to amend the constitution which they have created in their own way and at their own time, and until so amended by the voluntary act of the people we declare that the Republican party stands by that constitution as it was adopted by the convention and

ratified by the people.

"In this connection we invite attention to the fact that by the proposed blue ballot amendment there is no limit to the number of amendments which may be proposed at any one time so that each session of the legislature may become the equivalent of a constitutional convention whereby the constitution may be changed from beginning to end; and that all the safeguards placed around the right of suffrage and other sacred rights of our people by our constitution can be taken away by a constitutional convention which may be immediately called under the provisions of the blue ballot amendment by a bare majority of those voting thereon, and we urge every voter who has the public welfare at heart to vote against the amendment."

"We pledge the Republican party to take the necessary steps as provided in the constitution to eliminate from section 5, of Article 21 thereof, the clause prescribing certain qualifications for members of the legislature and state officers."

"In order that each property owner shall bear his just share and no more of the burdens of taxation we pledge our party to a correction of the evil and inequalities of the present system and the assessment of all property at its actual value with such limitations on the tax rate as shall prevent state, county or municipal extravagance."

"We pledge the Republican party in the preservation and conservation of our great land donations made by congress so that they shall be continuing sources of revenue to the state for the purpose for which the land has been given."

J. L. Smith, ten miles west of Estancia, has a fine patch of turnips, there being about three-quarters of an acre in the patch. He sent in quite a few of them yesterday, which were sold around town. A half dozen sent the News man are excellent, both as to size and quality. The half dozen average over three pounds each. They bring back memories of school days when a visit to the neighbor's turnip patch on the way to school was an everyday occurrence.

Any of the ladies having any article or articles to add to the Art Exhibit to be sent to the State Fair at Albuquerque, will kindly leave same with Mrs. James Walker, vice president of this department for Torrance county, not later than Wednesday of this week. It is urged that this be done, in order that the exhibit may be sent over the last of the week so as to be placed in plenty of time.

Allen Barrett left last night for Santa Rosa.

DEMOCRATIC COUNTY CONVENTION

The Torrance County Democrats met at Willard yesterday to name delegates to the State Convention at Santa Fe, October 3d. Instead of the eleven delegates to which the county is entitled, it was decided to name double that number, giving each one half a vote. The list of those who were named is as follows: W. D. Wasson, F. F. Jennings, W. A. Brumback, L. E. Herndon, J. L. Lobb, C. B. Easley, J. F. Lasater, J. P. Dunlavy, Dr. E. A. Black, C. M. Milbourn, C. W. Bennett, C. B. Greenfield, R. L. Hitt, E. W. Roberson, J. F. Ward, J. M. Smith, Fabino Baca, Monte Goodin, Henry Epler, Dr. C. D. Otterson, J. A. Goodrich, C. Brittain.

R. L. Hitt, and E. W. Roberson were recommended as members of the new State Central Committee.

J. J. Brown Dead

J. J. Brown, who has been suffering for some weeks, died yesterday afternoon at two o'clock, at his home a mile and a half west of Estancia. Mr. Brown was born in Tennessee on November 17, 1857. Beside his wife he leaves six children to mourn his loss, all having been present at the time of his decease, four sons and two daughters, George, Howard, Mrs. George Ford, Guy, Earl and Dollie.

Funeral services will be held at the home this afternoon about two-thirty o'clock, interment being in the Estancia Cemetery. The services will be conducted by Rev. J. Q. Herrin of the Baptist Church.

William Sutton was in from his home west of town yesterday, after having spent some time with the thresher. He says if it hadn't been for the rain Friday night he could not have come yesterday. He reports having just finished threshing the bean crop of J. M. Milbourn & Sons, which amounted to 53,000 pounds. It may be that there is nothing grown in the valley, but when one man and his sons grow more than a carload of beans, we won't starve right away at least. Would that we had more Milbourns in the valley.

J. E. Shirley and family returned from Cedarvale, Kansas, yesterday where they had gone to spend the winter. They say it did not take them long to wish themselves back in the Estancia Valley and come on back.

Mrs. Larson came in last night from Santa Fe, for a visit with Mrs. H. G. Souders.